

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (currently amended) A convertible blanket comprising:

a blanket made of fabric material; ~~and~~

a blanket pocket, the blanket pocket being attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the blanket for storage, the blanket pocket having a perimeter, along at least a portion of which it is joined to the blanket, and being provided with an opening for receiving the blanket;

a hood attached to the blanket;

a hood storage pocket attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the hood for storage; and

fastening means to secure the blanket around a user's shoulders;

wherein the blanket pocket is visually appealing in shape and color and conspicuously positioned such that it is the focal point of the blanket and wherein the blanket is easily stowed inside the pocket by stuffing the blanket into the pocket without requiring intricate folding of the blanket.

2. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a ball.

3. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 2, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a crown.

4. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a heart shape.

5. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of an animal or head of an animal.

6. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a fish.

7. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a bird.

8. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the perimeter corresponds to the shape of a cartoon character or the head of a cartoon character.

9. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pocket has an opening of greater than 20cm.

10. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 9, wherein the pocket has an opening of less than 50cm.

11. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pocket has a first dimension of greater than 30cm.

12. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 11, wherein the first dimension corresponds to the width of the pocket and extends in a direction substantially parallel to the opening of the pocket.

13. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 11, wherein the pocket has a second dimension, perpendicular to the first, which is greater than 30cm.

14. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 13, wherein the second dimension corresponds to the depth of the pocket and extends in a direction substantially perpendicular to the opening of the pocket.

15. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the blanket is made from a man-made fleece material.

16. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein the material of the pocket includes printing to take the appearance of an amusement object.

17. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 16, wherein the pocket is intended to be turned inside out before receiving the blanket and it is an internal surface of the pocket which includes printing to take the appearance of an amusement object.

18. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 16, wherein carrying straps are provided within the pocket which become usable once the pocket has been reversed and the blanket received within the pocket.

19. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein a zip fastener is provided along a first edge of the blanket to join said first edge to a second edge of the blanket together.

20. (currently amended) A convertible blanket comprising:

a blanket in the form of a substantially rectangular area of fabric having a first edge and a substantially parallel second edge;

a blanket pocket attached to the blanket, the blanket pocket being of a size for receiving the blanket, said blanket pocket being visually appealing in shape and color and conspicuously positioned such that it is the focal point of the blanket;
and

a fastener provided along a first edge of the blanket for fastening said first edge to said second edge of the blanket, whereby the blanket is convertible for use in three modes of operation:

- 1) blanket being extended for use as a blanket;
- 2) blanket being received in the pocket for use as a pillow or cushion; and
- 3) blanket being fastened along said first edge to said second edge for use as a sleeping bag;

a hood attached to the blanket;

a hood storage pocket attached to the blanket and being of a size to receive the

hood for storage; and

fastening means to secure the blanket around a user's shoulders;

wherein the blanket is easily stowed inside the blanket pocket by stuffing the blanket into the blanket pocket without intricate folding of the blanket.

21. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket is intended to be turned inside out before receiving the blanket such that the inside of the pocket becomes the outside surface when stuffed with the stowed blanket.

22. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket is intended for use as a large stadium blanket.

23. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket is intended for use as a bedspread cover.

24. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the blanket is intended for use as a lap blanket.

25. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of a football.

26. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of a crown.

27. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of a heart shape.

28. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of an animal or head of an animal.

29. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of a fish.

30. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of a bird.

31. (original) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein the pocket corresponds to the shape of a cartoon character or the head of a cartoon character.

32. (currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 1, wherein a the hood is ~~provided for attachment~~ attached to an edge of the blanket to be worn over a user's head.

33. (currently amended) A convertible blanket as claimed in claim 20, wherein a the hood is ~~provided for attachment~~ attached to an edge of the blanket to be worn over a user's head.